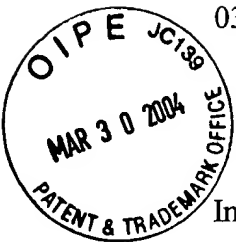


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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 form. Also enclosed are copies of the listed documents, as well as copies of two communications from the Japan Patent Office dated January 27, 2004, citing the documents in counterpart Japanese patent applications.

An explanation of relevance for the documents is given in the attached English abstracts, as well as in the enclosed English translations of the communications.

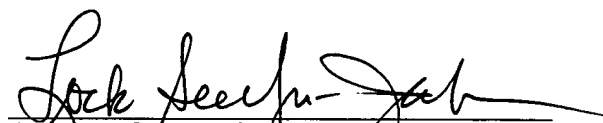
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It is respectfully requested that the enclosed documents be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the PTO-1449 form be returned indicating that the documents have been considered and made of record in this application.

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